the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-527-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 17, 1997.

Take notice that on September 12, 1997, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2, the revised tariff sheets listed on Appendix A of the filing to become effective October 6, 1997.

Texas Eastern states that the purpose of this filing is to reflect changes in Texas Eastern's Rate Schedule X–28 which were authorized in Texas Eastern's Order No. 636 restructuring proceeding in Docket Nos. RS92–11–000, et al.

Texas Eastern states that copies of the filing were served on all affected parties.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-437-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company and Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company; Data Request and Notice of Staff Technical Conference

September 17, 1997.

. On August 1, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (Williams) and Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company (MGE) filed a request for a declaratory order requesting that the Commission resolve certain issues concerning the operation of the right of first refusal (ROFR) mechanism on William's system. A number of parties have filed interventions and protests or comments on the filing. Some of those filing comments and the Commission staff are not clear about some aspects of the request for a declaratory order. In order to clarify these issues, Williams and MGE are required to respond to the following questions by October 3, 1997. A technical conference to discuss these issues will be held on October 21, 1997.

- 1. For each example posited in the August 1, 1997 Declaratory Order request, Williams and MGE must provide a complete description of the expiring contract and the bids received on the capacity, including, the capacity for each component of TSS service under the expiring contract, whether the bids submitted are for TSS service, the capacities of each TSS component contained in each bid for the expiring capacity, the duration of the bids, and the rate bid and maximum rate for each component.
- 2. Parts A and C of the August 1, 1997 Declaratory Order request appear to pose the same question, and Williams and MGE must explain any intended difference in the questions posed.
- 3. Williams and MGE must explain how the examples in their request for a Declaratory Order differ from the issue addressed by the Commission in William's restructuring proceeding, Williams Natural Gas Company, 66 FERC ¶ 61,315, at 61,946 (1994).

The response to these questions should be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, in particular, 18 CFR 385.2001 and 385.2010 (Rules 2001 and 2010), which require that documents be filed with the Secretary of the Commission and served on all parties in the docket.

The conference to address these issues will be held on October 21, 1997,

beginning at 10 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Surrender of License

September 17, 1997.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Type of Application: Surrender of License.
 - b. Project No.: 8924-030.
 - c. Date filed: August 5, 1997.
 - d. Applicant: Northeast
- Hydrodevelopment Corporation.
- e. Name of Project: McLane Dam.
- f. Location: Souhegan River, in Hillsboro County, New Hampshire.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Jason M. Hines, 1114 East Victor Street, Bellingham, WA 98225, (360) 752–9502.
- *i. FERC Contact:* James Hunter, (202) 219–2839.
- j. Comment Date: October 30, 1997.

k. Description of Project: The project would have consisted of: (1) The existing 230-foot-long, 18-foot-high, concrete McLane Dam and 6-acre reservoir; (2) a 32-foot-long, 16-foot-wide powerhouse containing a 300-kilowatt generating unit; and (3) a 225-foot-long, buried transmission line.

The Licensee requests surrender of the license, stating that restoration of the dam's spillway and west abutment, and site preparation have been the only on-site construction activities. This work was completed prior to July 1, 1993, when construction was suspended due to a lack of funds.

- *l. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B, C1, and D2.
- B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all